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June 13, 1902

Report of plague and smallpox in Manila.

MANILA, P. I., May 3, 1902.

SIR : I have the honor to report that the city of Manila still remains free from plague, no cases having been reported for some time, prospects being favorable for an escape from a plague epidemic this season. However, a small number of cases of smallpox continue to occur. For the week ended April 26, 1902, there occurred 4 cases, with 2 deaths, distributed as follows: two Filipinos, 1 Chinese, and 1 European.

Respectfully,

J. C. PERRY,

*Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.,**Chief Quarantine Officer for the Philippine Islands.*

The SURGEON-GENERAL,

U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

PORTO RICO.

Reports from Ponce.

PONCE, P. R., May 26, 1902.

SIR : Through the chief quarantine officer for Porto Rico, I have the honor to transmit herewith the quarantine and abstract of bills of health reports for the week ended May 24, 1902.

Four vessels were inspected and 2 of them held in quarantine as below; 6 bills of health were issued.

On the 18th, the Cuban steamship *Julia* arrived on her regular trip from Havana via Nuevitas, Gibara, Baracoa, Santiago, Santo Domingo, and Macoris. The passengers were allowed to land. Baggage from Santo Domingo and Macoris was disinfected, viz, 43 pieces and 1 sack of mail. Baggage from Cuba had been disinfected at port of departure.

On the same day the Spanish steamship *Ciudad de Cadiz* arrived from Havana via Port Limon, Colon, Sabanilla, Puerto Cabello, and La Guayra. Seven passengers were allowed to land. Eight pieces of baggage from Cartagena, Republic of Colombia, were disinfected.

The smallpox situation continues to improve, there being 3 new cases reported and 10 cases recovered.

Respectfully,

W. W. KING,

Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,

*U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.**Inspection of immigrants at San Juan and supports for the week ended May 24, 1902.*

SAN JUAN, P. R., May 27, 1902.

SIR : I submit herewith report of alien steerage passengers arriving at this port during the week ended May 24, 1902.

May 19, provisional flag steamship *Julia*, from Cuban and Dominican ports, with 14 immigrants; Spanish steamship *Ciudad de Cadiz*, from Havana, Port Limon, Colon, Barranquilla, Puerto Cabello, and La Guayra, with 33 immigrants. May 20, French steamship *Olinde Rodriguez*, Haitian and Dominican ports, with 1 immigrant. Total, 48.

Respectfully,

H. S. MATHEWSON,

*Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.,**Chief Quarantine Officer for Porto Rico.*

The SURGEON-GENERAL,

U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.